

Draft Agenda

Regional Advisory Committee Meetings

Mays Landing, NJ: Tuesday, September 3, 2002
Boston, MA: Wednesday, September 4, 2002
Charleston, SC: Tuesday, September 17, 2002
Miami, FL: Wednesday, September 18, 2002
All Meetings: 7:00 - 9:30 p.m.

Committee Chair John Graves or Vice-Chair Brad Chase Presiding:

1. Opening Remarks, Purpose of Meetings and Introductions

2. Background on ICCAT

- A. Goal of the Convention, including Species and Waters Covered
- B. ICCAT Membership
- C. U.S. Representatives to ICCAT
- D. U.S. Implementing Legislation

3. The Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section to ICCAT

- A. Role in the International Process
- B. How it Functions
- C. Members and Membership
- D. Appointment Process

4. General Comments on 2001 and 2002 ICCAT Meetings

5. Review of Species

- A. Swordfish
 - 1. Status of Stocks
 - 2. 2001 ICCAT Meeting Accomplishments
 - 3. 2002 Issues
- B. Bluefin Tuna
 - 1. Status of Stocks
 - 2. 2001 ICCAT Meeting Accomplishments
 - 3. 2002 Issues
- C. Billfish
 - 1. Status of Stocks
 - 2. 2001 ICCAT Meeting Accomplishments
 - 3. 2002 Issues
- D. BAYS Tunas (Bigeye, Albacore, Yellowfin, and Skipjack)
 - 1. Status of Stocks
 - 2. 2001 ICCAT Meeting Accomplishments
 - 3. 2002 Issues

6. Public Comment

7. Other Business

8. Adjournment